

## Clean Up in La Mesa

County commissioned crews recently hauled away nearly 300 cubic yards --- the equivalent of 1,200 55-gallon drums --- of trash, household goods and other items in a Code Enforcement abatement case in the unincorporated area near La Mesa.

A seven-person crew spent three days hauling and throwing away trash, computers, televisions, lawnmowers, pots and pans, utensils, a freezer, washer and dryer, microwave and other materials that the property owner had accumulated and dumped in his yard. The County's Code Enforcement group responded to complaints from neighbors in August 2008 and tried to work with the property owner to get him to clean up. However, it eventually became apparent the owner could not comply. After \$5,300 worth of citations, Code Enforcement hired a crew and cleaned the property at the owner's expense.



**BEFORE:**



**AFTER:**

